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record. We congratulate the Faculty of the Law School upon a volume which worthily maintains the traditions of their great institution, and which is, in aim and in execution, a most useful contribution to the lawyer's library.

AN EPITOME OF THE LAW AFFECTING MARINE INSURANCE. By LAWRENCE DUCKWORTH, of the Middle Temple, Barrister at Law. London: Effingham Wilson, Royal Exchange. 1901.

This book is the latest addition to a small series from the pen of Mr. Duckworth on kindred subjects, including: "The Law Relating to General and Particular Average" and "An Epitome of the Law Relating to Charter Parties and Bills of Lading." These latter books will, no doubt, serve as a good introduction

for the one just published.

This volume is just what the title claims for it: a short review and summary of the Law of Marine Insurance. It is written in the style of so many modern text-books. The tendency of decisions and the resulting rule of law to be discussed are stated in the first paragraph of the chapter, to be then illustrated by well chosen cases shortly reviewed. The book is not an exhaustive treatise on the subject; but by giving a good summary of the whole, it naturally suggests where a study of the parts may be further pursued.

The author expresses the wish that his work may be useful to business men. He has therefore designed it as a book of ready reference,—devoid of technicality and intelligible to the layman throughout. There is a careful index and chapter analysis, and glossary of terms. The lates English cases are cited and compared with American decisions. The appendix is especially useful, including the common forms of a Marine Insurance policy, as well as rules for the construction thereof. The provisions of the Marine Insurance Bill, 1898, will also be found there.

Accompanying the book is a pamphlet, issued by the International Law Association, containing a body of rules adopted at a conference held in Glasgow, August, 1901, "as a scheme for making Marine Insurance Law international. The hope is that by the adoption of these rules, policies made in the same terms in different countries may have the same effects, and not as now different effects, according to the law of the place in which they are made."

It will be seen then that this handbook recommends itself to all those who wish ready access to this branch of the law. To keep the book down to the desired size must have been no small task, for the Law of Marine Insurance offers for classification much judge-made law and an ever-increasing wealth of liti-

gation.